

Improve chemical dependency and meth treatment outcomes through expanded community treatment.

Agency/Program #: 69010-33-I7
 Division: Addictive & Mental Disorders
 Program: Chemical Dependency Service

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Program or Project Description:

The Chemical Dependency Services program provides community chemical dependency treatment and prevention services throughout Montana. The program contracts with 19 state-approved programs, purchases a full range of services, and funds an education program for DUI offenders. The program also funds substance abuse prevention activities.

Appropriation, Expenditure and Source				
Fund Name:	2008		2009	
	Approp.	Expended	Approp.	Expended
General Fund	2,000,000	826,450	2,000,000	
State Special				
Federal Funds				
Total:	\$2,000,000	\$826,450	\$2,000,000	\$0

Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of April 15, 2008

Goal(s):

Improve chemical dependency and meth treatment outcomes through expanded community treatment.

Performance Measures :

By 2008, expand community based residential services by 7 homes which provide best practice substance abuse treatment.

By 2008, develop, implement and monitor measurable performance standards that include development of baseline data in these areas:

Increase in the length of time of non-use.

Decrease in the incidence of involvement with the criminal justice system.

Decrease in the admissions to inpatient treatment.

Increase in the length of gainful employment.

2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:

Completion Dates

Target Actual

1	Developed and released RFP to expand community based residential services by 7 homes which provide best practice substance abuse treatment.	11/30/2007	10/12/2007
2	Review submitted RFP's with Department of Administration & prepare final findings.	11/15/2007	11/5/2007
3	Developed, posted and filled 1 FTE position to oversee the project.	12/31/2007	11/14/2007
4	Negotiate and finalize the final contract with the awarded contractor for the Residential Treatment Expansion Consortium.	1/1/2008	12/24/2007
5	The first of seven state-funded residential meth treatment facilities, White Birch Center, operated by Rimrock Foundation began accepting clients beginning on January 3rd.	1/31/2008	1/3/2008

Four of the seven state-funded residential meth treatment facilities were open by April 15, 2008.	6/30/2008	4/15/2008
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Performance Report:

The legislative performance measures will be addressed by the contractor, Boyd Andrew Community Services. The Residential Treatment Expansion Project (RTEC) has confirmed start-up dates with the seven sub-contractors to establish the meth treatment facilities. The following eight bed facilities are accepting clients for services: Rimrock Foundation/ White Birch - adult males; Boyd Andrew Community Services/Elkhorn - adult females; Miles City - adult males; Gateway Community Services/Blue Thunder Lodge - adult Native American males. Kalispell - adult females, Rocky Boy - adult Native American females and Bozeman - adult males are scheduled to open prior to June 30, 2008. The seven facilities were engaged in a three-week training curriculum. The training supported the implementation of evidence based practices and quality improvement measures. Rimrock Foundation will oversee and provide the continuous improvement process for the project. During the month of May, the principles and tools of the Network for the improvement of Addiction Treatment (NIATx) will be integrated into the project's CQI process

LFD Narrative:

LFD ASSESSMENT - Warning

DATA RELEVANCE - The information received is relevant to the milestones, but not the outcome measures. The contractor developing and operating the new group treatment facilities is responsible for collecting and reporting data on the performance measures. LFD staff has asked when data will be available to evaluate the legislative performance measures.

APPROPRIATION STATUS - There was no appropriation/expenditure data provided.

OPTIONS - The workgroup could review the data at the October meeting. It could also request that the appropriation and expenditure data be provided.

There is a warning status for this project because the legislature anticipated it would be fully implemented July 1, 2008. The executive budget included this request and asked for full funding in the first year of the biennium. Additionally, the milestones and target dates presented to the legislature in support of this proposal are significantly different than those included on the reporting format.

- o January 2007 – establish a workgroup to develop residential evidence-based care standards and performance/outcome criteria.
- o April 2007 – An RFP developed and released for both supportive living and community-based residential treatment services
- o May 2007 – Award proposals
- o July 2007 – Implement programs



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Change Description
LFD narrative added
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